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UNTEER INFANTRY.

Congressional Action Necessary to

Transport the Men to

Their Homes.

A telegram was received at the War De-

partment this morning from Colonel Cheat-

fantry, reporting the arrival of the trans-

port Sheridan at San Francisco yesterday

tached service and 10 sick men.

diers, six insane soldiers.

monary tuberculosis.

am, commanding the 37th Volunteer In-

General Shafter says the Sheridan had

the following military passengers: Colonel

onel Cheatham, Major Koehler, Captains

Bright, Patton, Ragsdale, McLester, Mur-

tyre and 641 enlisted men 37th Infantry

The casualties during the voyage were as follows: Private Nelson Larrbie, F, 37th Infantry, 29th ultimo, chronic dysentery, general and cardiac asthenia; Private Wil-

ultimo, chronic dysentery, cardiac dilation

Private Benjamin Taylor, D, 37th Infantry, 5th instant, malarial fever, lober pneu-

Adjutant General Corbin says that the

travel pay to places of enlistment, but it so happens in this case that the regiment was

TO PROHIBIT CONTRIBUTIONS.

Bill Affecting Corporations - To In-

vestigate Disfranchisement.

engaged in interstate or foreign commerce,

an amendment to the sundry civil bill, ap-

propriating \$25,000 to enable the Attorney General to investigate alleged disfranchise-

THE FREEDMAN'S BANK.

Bill to Close Up Its Affairs Introduced

in the House.

House to close up the affairs of the Freed-

man's Savings and Trust Company. The

under the act approved February 21, 1881,

"That the controller of the currency, who,

"That any claims for the 62 per centum of

dividends already declared which are not

presented on or before June 30, 1902, shall

be forever barred, and when all claims pre-

ing assets of the company into cash and turn the same over to the trustees of the

Howard University, Washington, District of Columbia, for the benefit of that institu-

Personal Mention.

The bill was referred to the committee on

Mr. Jas. O. Lyford, the naval officer of

the port of Boston, is in the city in con-

nection with the probate of the will of the

late Quartermaster General Batchelder, of

Colonel J. W. Barlow, corps of engineers,

Wm. S. Hall of the Pullman commissary

Frank C. Guschewsky, who for the past

xix years has been connected with the firm.

Mr. W. Morgan Shuster, deputy collector

of D. N. Walford, will leave today for St. Louis, Mo., where he will reside in the fu-

probably remain for the inaugural cere-

Favorable Reports Made.

ports from the committee on the library

chase of a replica of the bronze equestrian

The report accompanying the bill for the purchase of the replica of the bronze eques-

trian statue of Washington recites that French's statue of Washington stands in

the Place d'Iena, near the Trocadero, in Paris. It is the gift of the women of America to the people of France.

May Save the McPherson.

Quartermaster General Ludington said

oday that his latest information in regard

to the transport McPherson, aground off

Matanzas, is that the sea has subsided and

that there is a fair prospect of saving the

ship. Several tugs have been sent to her

assistance, and if they cannot drag her into

deep water a contract will be made with the Merritt Wrecking Company to save the

Counter Suit Filed.

In connection with the proceedings for

maintenance filed yesterday by Lydia J.

ship, if possible.

French and Edward C. Potter,

Mr. Wetmore today made favorable re-

is at the Ebbitt House on leave of absence.

department left Monday for two manths'

Mr. Lamb has introduced a bill in

each officer, stockholder or employe.

ments of voters in certain states.

up the affairs of that company.

banking and currency.

stay in Jacksonville, Fla.

ture.

monies.

TWO CENTS.

MR. CONGER'S REPORT

Conference as to Execution of Chinese Notables.

THE CONCLUSION ARRIVED AT

Will Demand Capital Sentences, but Expect Commutation.

POSTHUMOUS HONORS left in Manila 130 men. 21 officers on de-

The State Department has received the following report from United States Minis- Barber, adjutant general's department; Colter Conger of the progress of the negotiations at Pekin between the foreign ministers | Van Leer, Givens, Clark, Moran, Hanna, and the Chinese government, dated the 6th | Flaherty, Erickson, First Lieutenants

"The foreign ministers held a conference phy, Auswald, Young, Sinks, Pilcher, Secyesterday (the 5th) with the Chinese pleni- ond Lieutenants Baskette, Aiken, O'Brien, potentiaries, and presented the difficulties Storck, Miles, Cass, Walker, Potter, McIn-Chinese notables, Prince Tuan, Prince Lan and General Tung Fuh Siang. They gave assurances of the execution of Chuang and Yu Hsien, but urged leniency for the others, Caldwell, 42d Infantry; Chaplain Pierce. begging that the court be not placed in a three contract surgeons, three contract position too difficult. The foreign ministers nurses, thirty-six discharged soldiers, have agreed to demand capital sentences twelve deported men, forty-four military for Tuan and Lan, but with the expectafor Tuan and Lan, but with the expectation that it will be commuted to exile. They demand the death penalty for the others also mentioned in the decree-Yu Hsten, Chih Liu and Hsu-Cheng-Yu, the last two being now prisoners to the Japalast two being now prisoners to the Japanese at Pekin. Posthumous honors are also demanded for the four members of the Private Fred Whitesell, B, 3d Infantry, 31st tsung li yamen executed last summer."

The Posthumous Honors.

It is said at the State Department that monia, left lower lobe pulmonary oedema; the last named honors are peculiarly Chinese. The four members of the tsung it try, 6th instant, chronic dysentery and pulyamen referred to were strong sympathizers with the foreign element, and their earnest pleas with the court for moderation in the treatment of the legationers and the missionaries brought about their execution upon the demand of some of the Chinese missionaries brought about their execution upon the demand of some of the Chinese named in Mr. Conger's dispatch. A pro-found impression will be produced by a royal decree according posthumous honors to these victims, which will go much fur-ther than fully reinstating them in the Chinese mind. The personality of the Chinese who the ministers now insist upon being punished was fully described in the Associated Press cablegrams of yesterday's date from Pekin.

THIRTY DENTAL SURGEONS. The New Army Will Have Its Teeth Taken Care Of.

With the approval of the Secretary of War, Surgeon General Sternberg has arranged for the immediate appointment of thirty dental surgeons for service in the army, in accordance with the provisions of the new army law. These surgeons will be employed as contract dental surgeons under the terms and conditions applicable to army centract surgeons. They must be graduates of standard medical or dental colleges, trained in the several branches of dentistry, of good moral and professional character, and are required to pass a satisfactory pro-

fessional examination.

One provision of the act is that three of the dental surgeons to be employed shall under the authority of Congress, from con-be first appointed by the surgeon general, tributing to political campaigns. An amendwith the approval of the Secretary of War, with reference to their fitness for assignment, under the direction of the surgeon general, to the special service of conducting the examinations and supervising the operations of the others. Under this provision the Secretary has appointed the fol-lowing dental surgeons to be members of an examining board to examine applicants for appointment as dental surgeons: Dr. J. S. Marshall of Chicago and Dr. Robert T. Oliver of Indianapolis. Another mem-

ber is yet to be appointed.

The board will meet in this city on the 11th instant. As there are several hundred applications for these places and there remain but twenty-seven appointments to be made, it is the intention of the surgeon general to select one applicant from each state for an examination. In this way a large number of applicants who could not be appointed under the limitations of the law will be spared the trouble and expense is commissioner of the Freedman's Savings of the trip to Washington from their homes. and Trust Company, be authorized to close

LINE OFFICERS ELIGIBLE.

Vacancies in the Staff Not Confined to Appointments of Volunteers.

According to the officials of the War De sented on the date named are settled, that the commissioner shall convert all remainpartment the provision of the army reorganization law authorizing the President to fill original vacancies in the grade of captain in the quartermaster and subsistence departments by the appointment of officers tion. of volunteers commissioned in those departments since April 21, 1898, is simply supplemental to existing law, under which such vacancies may be filled by detail from the first lieutenants of the line. It had been contended by certain officials that the new law confined these appointments to The Secretary of War has decided, however, in favor of the view expressed above—that the appointments may be made by decided the secretary of the view expressed above—that the appointments may be made by decided the secretary of the view expressed above—that the appointments may be made by decided the secretary of the view expressed above—that the view expressed above—that the secretary of the view expressed above—that the secretary of the view expressed above—that the secretary of the view expressed above—that the tail from the line or from among the vol-unteers, according to the interests of the

PROGRESS ON WARSHIPS.

Statement Issued by Admiral Hich-

born as to the Work. A statement issued by Admiral Hichborn, chief constructor of the navy, shows that rapid progress is being made in the construction of nearly all the vessels now parents, Mr. and Mrs. William M. Shuster, at their residence, 1722 Q street. He will building at shipyards throughout the country. The big battle ships Maine and Missouri have each advanced 2 per cent toward final completion since January 1, and the Obio and Illinois, which latter is 88 per cent finished, have advanced 1 per cent each. The sheathed protected cruisers all on House bill 8067, to incorporate the Nastand below the 50 per cent mark, but an tional Society of United States Daughters average advancement of nearly 3 per cent of 1812, and on Senate bill 4142 for the purin all six is noted. Of the monitors, the Nevada, building at the Bath iron works, is the nearest to completion, standing at 79 statue of General Washington by Daniel

per cent. The other three are more than All of the torpedo destroyers, with the exception of the Stewart, which stands at 47 per cent, are over half completed, and the Dale, Decatur, Lawrence and MacDonough are set down at 90 per cent completed and over. Of the fifteen torpedo boats now building eleven are more than 95 per cent completed. Fast work is being done on the even submarine torpedo boats, an advancement of 7 per cent in the cases of the Adder and Moccasin, 5 per cent on the Porpoise and 4 per cent on the Grampus.

Japanese Officials Investigating.

J. Kiuche, minister of agriculture and commerce of Japan, and Special Commissioner Inouye called at the State Department yesterday, in company with some of the officials of the Japaneses legation, in pursuance of an inquiry with which they are charged by the Japanese government re-specting the method employed by the De-partment of State in collecting and dissem-inating information from the whole world relative to commerce and trade. The department officials are extending every courday filed suit against the former, asking the in West 107th street. Arnold then com-

SHE HAS ON BOARD THE 37TH VOL-Continues.

Leaders on the Subject.

with twenty-seven officers and 641 enlisted men of that regiment, and that there were

> Army nominations continued to have right of way at the White House today. but there was a marked falling off in the number of visitors. There were a good

> He Will Be a Judge. contingent. Ex-Representative Oates of Alabama, Mr. Bidwell, collector of the port of New York, and eight or ten others saw the President in the interest of friends seeking places in the army. The congressional list included Senators Spooner, Mc-Comas, Culberson, Dolliver, Carter, Pritchard, Butler, Nelson and Lodge, Representatives Wadsworth, Thomas of Iowa, Kerr, Grosvenor, Quarles, Kleberg, Roberts of Massachusetts, Babcock, Adams, Carmack and H. C. Smith of Michigan. Mr. Carmack made an appointment for a delegation from Memphis, Tenn., to call upon the President tomorrow, to invite him to attend the confederate veterans' reunion at Memphis in May next. This is the invitation that has caused so much comment among confederate veterans in the south.

Asking for a Navy Place. Representative Baker of Maryland, accompanied by Rev. Dr. C. W. Baldwin, presiding elder of the Baltimore conference called on the President with Rev. E. H Lamar of Arlington, Baltimore county. Mr. Lamar wants to be a chaplain in the navy, and his friends are urging his se-lection. The President has the matter under consideration.

More Talk of an Extra Session. There was a revival of extra session talk among some of the President's callers toorganized in the Philippines, and unless remedial legislation is enacted and the men are discharged at San Francisco they will have to get to their homes the best way day. Senator McComas, for instance, discussed the legislative outlook with the President and later declared that the situation now looked favorable to an extra session.

they can at their own expense. The same conditions affect three or four other regi-ments in the Philippines shortly to be returned to the United States. To meet this condition Congress has been urged to pro-"I think that unless Congress works faster than It is now doing an extra session is vide for the allowance of travel pay from San Francisco to their place of original enmuch more than a probability," said Sena-tor McComas. On the other hand, three other prominent republicans were just as sure that there

listment in this country of all volunteer soldiers who re-enlisted in the Philippines. would be no extra session. These were Senators Lodge and Spooner and Representative Grosvenor. "I have never thought there would be an extra session, and I do not think so now," said Representative Grosvenor. No difficulty will be experienced in the case of volunteers who enlisted in this Grosvenor.

Senator Spooner, who is the author of what is known as the Spooner Philippine bill, believes Congress will get through its work at this session.

He Will Be a Judge.

Representative Pugh of Kentucky, who The Senate committee on privileges and will probably be a federal district judge afelections today reported unanimously Senter July 1, was a caller. There seems to be ator Chandler's bill to prohibit corporations little or no doubt of Mr. Pugh's selection His chances are regarded as so good that national banks or corporations organized there will be little opposition and few canunder the authority of Congress, from condidates. The President has known Mr Pugh many years, and would probably ment was made making the maximum penmake the appointment even if Mr. Pugh alty for a corporation \$5,000 and \$1,000 for had not been recommended by the republi-By a party vote the committee reported

Senator Thomas Kearns of Utah called on the President in the interest of Major F. H. Grant. Major Grant commanded the Utah Volunteer Battery that was sent to the Philippines. He was present at the fall of Manila, and greatly distinguished himself. Later he attracted the attention of Admiral Dewey, who put him in charge of the fleet of small gunboats operating in the rivers around Manila. Captain Grant is a little over the age limit, and that bars him from nomination in the regular army, unless something can be done. ator Kearns is endeavoring to overcome this obstacle.

mendations for other army appointments. Presidential Nominations. The President today sent the following

The senator also presented his recom-

nominations to the Senate: Thomas Frazer, register of the land office at Sacramento, Cal.; Will A. Newcum, receiver of public moneys at Sacramento, Cal. To be judge advocate, with rank of major,

Captain Edgar S. Dudley, assistant quartermaster, United States army (major and judge advocate of volunteers). Sergeant John Braeuninger, Troop

C, 11th Cavalry, to be a second lieutenant. A Monument to Lafayette.

R. J. Thompson, secretary of the commission that dedicated a statue of Lafayette to the French government on behalf of the government and people of the United States, was at the White House today. Mr. Thompson is pushing a plan for the erection in this city of a replica of this beautiful tribute to Lafayette. Mr. Thompson says that it is probable that the commission will have about \$30,000 or \$35,000 left after it has paid for the statue of Lafayette that is now being made in France. The statue will not be completed for eighteen months, and will then be unveiled in Parls. In the meantime it is believed that a reproduction of the statue and monument could be secured for \$50,000. The addition of not over \$20,000 to the funds that will remain with the commission will build this replica in Washington, Mr. Thompson thinks the monument should be erected in the White House grounds. The French government gave to the statue of Lafayette, a splendid place in the Louvre that had been reserved for a monument to Napoleon. When the movement for the replica has been successful, as Mr. Thomp son is sure will be the case, Congress wil be asked to provide a suitable site.

FEDERAL BUILDING IN CLEVELAND. Architects Selected to Submit Designs

and Plans. The Secretary of the Treasury today selected a number of prominent architects of the country to submit designs and plans for a new federal building at Cleveland, Ohio. The following are the architects who

have been invited: F. S. Barnum & Co., George F. Hammond, John Eisenmann, Lehman & Schmidt, Meade & Garfield and J. Milton Dyer of Cleveland, Ohio; H. C. Koch & Son, Milwaukee, Wis.; Green & Wicks, Buffalo, N. Y.; Arnold V. Brunner, East New York; Cope & Stewardson, Philadelphia; Holabird & Roche, Chicago, Ill.; Jas. G. Hill and Totten & Rogers, associates, Washington,

The following architects have been se lected as judges of the competition: C. A. Coolidge, Chicago, Ill.; T. C. Young, St. Leuis, Mo.; J. M. Carrere, New York city; R. S. Peabody, Boston, Mass.

NEW YORK, February 7 .- Charles Arnold, twenty-three years old, of 152 West Germon against Philip Germon, the latter, 105th street, shot and killed his wife Flor-

THE SHERIDAN AT 'FRISCO AT THE WHITE HOUSE ERIE TRAIN WRECKED WILHELMINA WEDDED

Less Injured.

EXTRA SESSION TALK RESUMED ONE CAR WAS TELESCOPED BRILLIANT, IMPOSING CEREMONY

Some Expression from Republican Accident Occurred Near Green- The Court Chaplain Pronounces ville, Pa., This Morning.

MANY CALLERS TODAY LIST OF THE CASUALTIES CIVIL MARRIAGE PRECEDES

GREENVILLE, Pa., February 7 .- While running at high speed passenger train No. 5 on the Erie railroad was wrecked near outright and ten injured.

The dead-Unknown man, had ticket for Rushville, Ind., and postal eard in his pocket addressed to the Adams Produce Company, Rushville, Ind.

Harry A. Hart, sergeant major, 10th Infantry, bound for Fort Crook, Neb. Peter J. Curry, private, same, home in Philadelphia.

Man about twenty-five, supposed to be larence Leek, Somerville, N. J. Unknown man, still in the wreck.

The injured: Carmie Goligiure, Carbondale, Pa.

List of the Injured.

Carmie Grecco, Carbondale, Pa., bruised. Ivan Lester Smith, Canisteo, N. Y., badly bruised.

Joseph Kennedy, Springfield, Mass., left eg broken, cut and badly bruised, private, 10th Infantry.

Wm. D. Moore, 32 Lenox road, Brooklyn, eft leg broken, cut about head. W. F. MacGinnitie, Portland, Ind., badly

O. H. Simons, Kent, Ohio, brakeman, left leg broken, right leg bruised. C. Henry, baggage master, Meadville, Pa. eft leg broken, injured about chest. B. A. Marsden, Philadelphia, seriously, Leek, Somerville, N. J., seriously.

The injured were taken to Meadville hospital by special train. The train was running very fast at the time and was derailed by the breaking of a strap at the rail joint. Where the accident occurred is a sharp curve and a very steep embankment. About forty feet below is the little Shenango river, and from the track to the top of the hill is about sixty feet.

Combination Car Telescoped. The train was made up of mail and ex-

ress cars, combination baggage and smoker and four Pullman coaches. The engineer had whistled for the Greenville station when the engine left the rails, followed by the mail car, combination car and one of the coaches. After running about the length of the train, the engine struck the telescoped the combination car, and that was where all the fatalities occurred. engineer and fireman escaped by jumping. Many rescuers were quickly at work and surgeons were on hand as soon as the first body was taken from the wreck.

Three Soldiers Among the Dead.

Adjutant General Corbin received a telegram today saying that nine soldiers of the 10th Infantry were in a wreck on the Erie road at Greenville, Pa., this morning. Three were killed, including the sergeant in charge, and one was badly injured. The remaining five were unhurt. This information came from Dr. A. T. Clark, the company surgeon, who was with the soldiers. He gave no names or other particulars. The depart-ment has arranged to take care of the survivors and to turn the remains of the dead over to their families. These soldiers were new recruits and were on their way to San Francisco to await the arrival of the 10th Infantry, which is under orders for duty in the Philippines.

TRAINS WRECKED IN PITTSBURG. Heavy Freight Crashes Into Passenger Train-One Man Hurt.

PITTSBURG, February 7 .- The Pennsyl vania limited express crashed into the rear of the Cleveland express this morning, wrecking the engine of the limited and the rear sleeper of the Cleveland express. The passengers on the limited were shaken up,

NAVAL APPROPRIATION BILL. Senate Increase of Over a Million and

a Half Dollars. Senator Hale today reported the naval appropriation bill with a net increase over the House bill of \$1,691,000, making a total of \$78,696,973. The principal increases are: Coilier transportation, \$400,000; transportation and recruiting, \$85,000; depots for coal, \$300,000; naval station at Pearl harbor, Hawaii, \$150,000; naval station at Algiers, La., \$100,000; and the Secretary of the Navy is authorized to acquire by purchase or condemnation land for such station; for dry dock at Charleston, S. C., \$250,000, and all unexpended appropriations for the station at Port Royal, S. C.; naval station at Cavite, P. I., \$250,000; improvements for marine corps at Annapolis, \$85,000; Naval Academy, \$25,000. The Secretary of the Navy is directed to have the shores of Porto Rico examined with reference to the establishment of a naval station with direct reference to the United States and the

The naval station at League Island is changed to Philadelphia.

To all vacancies where there are not a sufficient number of cadets the President is authorized to promote gunners and warrant

Souvenir Medals Authorized. The House committee on coinage, weights and measures today authorized a favorable report on a bill to authorize the coinage of souvenir silver medals for the Washington Monumental Association of Alexan-

The medals, 200,000 in number, are to be struck by the Secretary of the Treasury, and the government is to be reimbursed for the cost. The medals will be sold "for the purpose of aiding in defraying the cost of a pedestal, and completing in a suitable man-ner the work of erecting a monument, de-signed by the Washington Monument Association of Alexandria, Va., to commem orate the memory of General George Wash ington in his home town, the city of Alexandria, Va., as a farmer, a Mason, a fireman, a surveyor and a citizen, on the cenenary of his death, as a feature of the preciation of the Congress of the United States for Washington as a citizen, and its desire to see his memory properly com-memorated in his home town."

Merchant Tailors Elect Officers. PHILADELPHIA, February 7.- The sixteenth annual convention of the Merchant Tailors' National Exchange came to an end today with the election of officers and meeting. The new officers are: President, Emile Twyeffort, New York; first vice president, E. L. Biersmith, Kansas City; second vice president, F. J. Heiberger, jr., Washington; secretary; Samuel H. Spring, Boston; treasurer, R. C. Notbohm, Milpeople and concluded. the selection of Norfolk, Va., for next year's

Pressure for Army Appointments Still Five Persons Killed and Ten More or Holland's Queen and Duke Henry Married at The Hague.

the Nuptial Benediction.

THE HAGUE, February 7 .- The city today bore its most festal appearance. Vast crowds were in the streets early and trains here today. Five passengers were killed poured in thousands from all parts of the country. The route of the royal procession to the Groote Kerk was decorated with large baskets of green plants, lightened by orange blossoms and white roses, tied in large white knots.

The weather, though fine, was intensely cold. The stands, the windows and the roofs along the line of the route to the



The Bride.

Groote Kerk were thronged with people. The civil ceremony of the marriage of Queen Wilhelmina to Duke Henry of Mecklenburg-Schwerin was carried out at 11:30 o'clock a.m., in accordance with the program.

Immediately afterward the procession started for the church, headed by fifty hus- spectators. sars, the bride, bridegroom and queen mother, riding in a golden state carriage, drawn by eight horses. They were warmly acclaimed by the crowds assembled.

The church was reached soon after noon

Court Chaplain's Address. The court chaplain, Dr. Van der Vlier, standing before the bride and bridegroom. delivered an address. His text was from

the fourth Psalm: "Lord, lift Thou up the light of Thy countenance upon us." "The festal-hour has arrived," said the pastor, "wherein the entire people has its share of delight. The prayer contained in the text embodies the essential conditions for lasting married happiness, which does not depend on external things, but on the disposition of the heart. The prayer for the light of the Lord's countenance seems to suggest some darkness, and it is certain clouds will show themselves at times in the

conjugal heaven. "This union which we today are celebrating has already demanded sacrifices. The husband has had to leave his country and people and the bride has had to leave the side of a dearly loved mother. In the future, too, be sure; the reverses of life will prayer of David: 'Lord, lift Thou up light of Thy countenance upon us.' will be necessary for you, if you are to fulfill thoroughly the duty of marriage, to fulfill the duty of love, in your mutual relations.

"In that relation man is the head and woman is the heart. The psalmist's prayer will also be your help when you have to bear your mutual burdens, for in marriage two sinners are united, each having his and her own faults. Finally, it is indispensable to the unity whereto you have been called. Finally, it is indispensable The Nuptial Benediction.

"According to the command of God. 'These two shall be onc.' Now, only love can-form and preserve this tie. But if you wish this bond not to be loosened your hearts must be filled with prayer. 'Lord,

lift Thou up the light of Thy countenance upon us.' After the chaplain's address, and after the nuptial benediction had been pronounced, the bride and bridegroom ex-



The Bridegroom.

changed gold rings, according to the Dutch custom, and the wedding party then pro-ceeded to the reception room, attached to the church, where the queen tenderly em-braced first her mother and then her hus-band. The queen mother, too, kissed the latter. The bridegroom then kissed his bride and his own mother. The newly wedded pair received the con-gratulations of their families and drove to the palace over the same route they had

A gala wedding breakfast followed.

Minister Newell, stationed at The Hague, cabled to the State Department today that Queen Wilhelmina and Duke Henry of Mecklenburg were married today at 12:30 p.m. "The streets are filled with happy people and brilliant sunshine," the dispatch

THE COMPACT FORMED

NEW LOCAL ASSOCIATION OF FIRE INSURANCE COMPANIES.

Manager to Be Sent Here to Take Charge of Affairs-President Wells.

The new association or compact of the fire insurance companies doing business in the District has finally been formed, and, dating from the close of business yesterday, the new organization went into operation. It is now composed of 123 companies, which includes all that were members of the old organization, with one exception. The Middle Department is to be notified that the association has been organized, and then a compact manager will be sent here, who will also be the secretary of the associa-

It is believed by those interested that the new association is much stronger than the one which it displaced, and that the relations of the members and the methods of doing business will be more satisfactory un-

doing business will be more satisfactory under the new regime than has heretofore been the case.

Owing mainly to the inability on the part of the old association to maintain the schedule of rates, the business was gradually becoming demoralized, and, in addition, there was a lack of confidence in one another, so that at one time it seemed that a rate war was inevitable. This catastrophe has, however, been averted, a new trophe has, however, been averted, a new

trophe has, however, been averted, a new set of officers has been elected and the prospects are now that the effects of a strong organization will be displayed in the fire insurance business here.

Mr. Henry Wells, the new president of the association, is a man who has the confidence of all with whom he has dealings. He has executive ability of a high order, is a man of tact and has been largely instrumental in reconciling the differences of opinion that prevailed and in enabling underwriters to understand that their interests would be served better in the association than outside of it.

terests would be served better in the asso-ciation than outside of it.

What is known as "relief" has been abol-ished and each member of the association makes a deposit of \$100, which is to secure the payment of any fines that may be imposed for the violation of the rules. The rates on houses and furniture are the same as those of the old association, but the schedule of commercial rates is to be made by the commercial rates is to be made by the compact manager when business of

DEATH LIST AT BAKU SWELLS. Now Thought That It Will Reach Into Hundreds.

ST. PETERSBURG, February 7 .- It is the hundreds. The full extent of the disaster, however, is not yet known. The latest information indicates that the fire has been brought under control.

The Rossija's Baku special adds that the

police station, ten large tenements, 500,000 tons of mazout, 330,000 tons of naphtha and all the Rothschild reservoirs were burned. The Journal of Commerce and Industry says Trimeuse lake is burning. The mazout caused explosions which killed many of the

A dispatch to the Rossija from Baku says 500 persons perished in the conflagration there. The flames are again beyond con-

TWO DESPERADOES PUT OUT.

Abel Sedillo Killed and Claude Duran Badly Wounded. ALBUQUERQUE, N. M., February 7 .-Abel Sedillo, a notorious desperado, has been killed in a battle with officers, and Claude Duran, one of the most dangerous desperadoes in the west, badly wounded. A gang of five desperadoes sold twenty-five stolen cattle to Indians at Isleta, only twelve miles below Albuquerque. A posse secreted themselves at a ranch house, six miles from here. Sedillo and Duran rode up and a fierce battle ensued. Sedillo's body was riddled with bullets and he died within an hour. Duran's leg was shat-

DENVER OFFICIALS SUSPENDED. They Are Charged With Blackmailing Law Breakers.

tered by a ball. Two horses were killed.

DENVER, Col., February 7.-The fire and police board has suspended Arthur Martyn, captain of police, and Edward Carberry, George Sanders and T. E. McIllduff, detectives, and Policeman John Slack, pending a public investigation of the charges of receiving bribes from keepers of gambling houses, houses of ill-fame and other crimi-nals. The investigation will occur Friday.

WILL FOLLOW OLD CEREMONIAL. King Edward's Decision in Opening

Parliament February 14. LONDON, February 7 .- Doubt as to the nature of the ceremonial to be observed at the opening of parliament February 14 has been set at rest by an official announcement that it has been definitely determined that King Edward will open his first parliament with a full state ceremonial The ancient state coach, which has not been used since the prince consort's death, will be employed, and it goes immediately to the coach builders for the renovation of its costly panel paintings and gilt embellishments. The precedent of 1886, the last occasion on which Queen Victoria opened parliament in person, will be followed. The entrance will be through the great gates under the Victoria tower, the and his suite passing thence to the robing It has a black marble stairway which for years has been encased in wood Thence they will go through the gallery and prince's chamber into the house of It is understood that Sir Arthur Bigge

who was private secretary to Queen Victoria, will be appointed private secretary to the Duke of Cornwall and York. The order of dress for the peeresses has been drawn up, indicating that Queen Alexandra will accompany the king. The peer-esses are ordered to wear black court costumes, with no trains; low-cut dresses, black feathers on the head and veils. No ornaments are permitted. The king will wear his full robes, perhaps without the

robes and all the state officials will be present as at a drawing room, except that they will wear their robes. The king will occupy the throne and the great officers of state will be grouped

DELEGATE WILCOX. Charges Against Him to Be Investi-

gated. The House committee on elections number one decided today to take cognizance of the petitions and charges filed against Delegate Wilcox of Hawaii. George D. Gear of Hawaii, who makes the charges,

was questioned on law points. The memwas questioned on law points. The members were agreed that the matter should be cleared up by inquiry, and it was arranged to take Mr. Gear's testimony and that of Mr. Wilcox.

Naval Orders. Medical Inspector D. M. Bertolette has een ordered to the New York. Lieut. A. B. Hoff has been granted one

Duke Henry of ed today at 12:30 Paymaster E. B. Rogers to duty in charge of the clothing factory at the New York yard, relieving Paymaster R. Hatton, who will continue his other duties.

THE PENSION BILL

Stopping a clock is a poor

way to save time, and stopping

an advertisement is a poor way

to save money. The steady ad-

vertiser, who uses a medium like The Evening Star, is the sure

winner every time.

It Was Passed by the Senate

SHIP SUBSIDY BILL UP

Mr. McLaurin Speaks in Favor of the Measure.

MONEY FOR POST OFFICE

At the beginning of today's session of the Senate Mr. McLaurin (S.C.) presented the certificate of re-election of Mr. B. R. Tillman as a United States senator.

A bill authorizing the construction of a bridge across the Delaware river by the United New Jersey Railroad and Canal Company and the Philadelphia and Trenton Railroad Company was passed. Mr. Hawley called up and the Senate

passed the bill providing for the payment of travel allowances on discharge from the volunteer army to officers and enlisted men of the 11th Cavalry and 36th and 37th Regiments of Infantry who entered the miltary service of the United States in the Philippines. The Senate also passed the following

oills: Establishing a first order light near Hillsboro', Fla ; providing for the erection of a public building at Charlottesville, Va., and making an appropriation of \$100,000; granting right of way to the Oswego and Rome Railroad Company through the Fort Ontario military reservation in New York state; putting in force in Indian territory the laws of Arkansas relating to corporations.

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Mr. Gallinger stated that to the close of he last fiscal year there had been about 1,500 additions to the pension roll on account of the Spanish war, involving an annual expenditure of about \$270,000. The bill

Ship Subsidy Bill. The ship subsidy bill was then taken up,

and Mr. McLaurin (S.C.) took the floor. Mr. McLaurin spoke in support of the oill, basing his advocacy of the measure feared that the fatalities resulting from the upon the theory that its passage would great petroleum fire at Baku will reach into benefit the cotton-growing interest of the southern states. He cited the action of the Southern Cotton Spinners' Association at Charlotte, N.C., in urging legislation of the character purposed in the pending bill. He contended also that anything that would stimulate American shipping would benefit not only the cotton interest, but all other agricultural interests. The resolutions adopted at Charlotte, he said, typify the sentiment of the entire south, and presage

a return of the old prestige and prosperity of that section.

Appropriations This Session.

There was a discussion concerning the amount of the appropriations of this session, and in reply to a question by Mr. Morgan, Mr. Allison, chairman of the Senate committee on appropriations, said he thought they would amount to \$700,000,000. with obligations for \$60,000,000 more for fuwould be nearer \$800,000,000 for the session. He said the tide of expenditures was steadily rising. A few years ago the country was shocked at a "\$1,000,000,000 Congress." Soon we would have a \$1,000,000, 000 session. Mr. Teller said the last session appropriated \$760,000,000, and a member of the appropriation committee of the House had said there should have been \$100,000,000 more, as some future session would be called upon to make up that amount.

THE HOUSE.

The House today, immediately after the reading of the journal, resumed the consideration of the post office appropriation

Mr. Moon (Tenn.) spoke against the spe-

cial facilities proposition. He said if the

people of his district should deliberately and knowingly instruct him to vote for this subsidy he would throw down his commission and walk out of the House. (Applause.)

Mr. Fleming (Ga.), a member of the joint postal commission, closed the general debate with an argument along the lines of the minority report submitted by him in favor of certain modifications and reductions in the rates of railway mail pay. After further discussion the bill passed

MR. BRYAN'S VIEWS.

the House.

Bill Making the Standard Silver Dollar Redeemable in Gold. Chairman Southard of the House commit-

tee on coinage, today received from William J. Bryan the latter's view of the pending bills before the House making the standard silver dollar redeemable in gold. After thanking the committee for the courtesy of inviting his views, Mr. Bryan says, in part: "The bill has a double purpose: First, to convert standard silver dollars into subsidiary coin, and, second, to make silver dollars redeemable in gold on demand. In discussing the subject, however, it will be more logical to consider the latter proposition first, as redemption is only a

step toward retirement.
"There is no necessity for redemption.
The legal tender law will maintain the parity between gold coin and silver dollars so long as both can be used to an unlimited extent in the payment of public revenues and private debts. I should perhaps say that the parity will be substantially main-tained, for local and temporary conditions may under any law put a small premium upon any kind of money."

Mr. Bryan cites the premium on silver in New York in 1893, caused by the local demand for small change. He also cites Senator Sherman in support of his statement. Proceeding, Mr. Bryan says: "As soon as the silver dollar is made redeemable in gold, another endless chain will be created, and the arguments used against the green-backs and treasury notes will then be turned against silver. Before the attempt turned against silver. Before the attempt to burden the gold reserve with this new obligation is consummated, it may be worth while to consider the opinion expressed by Secretary Carlisle in 1895."

MISS WIMIFRED BLACK WEDS. The Groom is Chas. A. Bonfils of the

Denver Post. DENVER, Col., February 7 .- Chas. A. Bonfils and Miss Winifred Black, wellknown newspaper writers, were married this afternoon at the residence of the bridegroom's brother, Frederick G. Bonfils, publisher of the Denver Post. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Richard F. Sykes. Mr. and Mrs. Bonfils will make a trip to southern California and Honolulu, return-

Dr. Ross Ordered to Duty. Surgeon John W. Ross, a retired officer of the navy, having volunteered for active service, has been assigned to duty under the War Department. He is an expert in the treatment of yellow fever cases, and will be assigned to duty in connection with the sanitary improvement of the city of

Pension Appropriation Bill.